

# Cell Injury

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## Intra and Extracellular Accumulations and Depositions

Pathological  
pigmentation

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calcification

Gout

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Hyalinosis

Amyloidosis

# 1 - Deposition of Mucin

Normally mucin is secreted by mucous secreting cells e.g. Respiratory tract or GIT cells.

Excessive accumulation of mucopolysaccharides (mucoid material) in:

- Epithelial cells is called "mucoid degeneration"
- Connective tissue is called "myxomatous degeneration".

N/E:

Pale grey transparent slimy fluid.

M/E:

Pale blue with Hx.

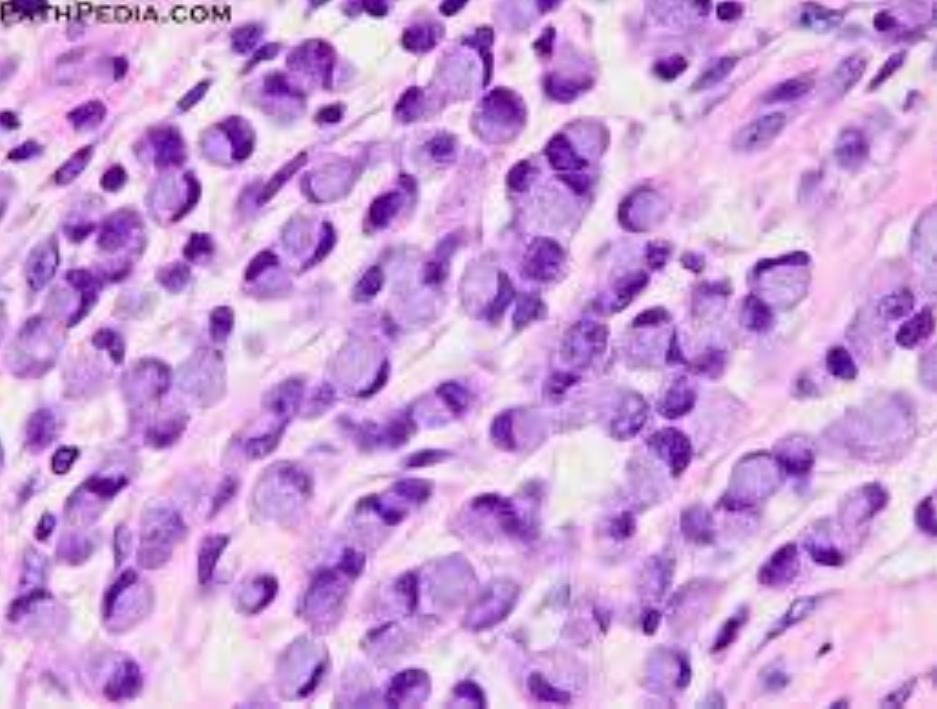
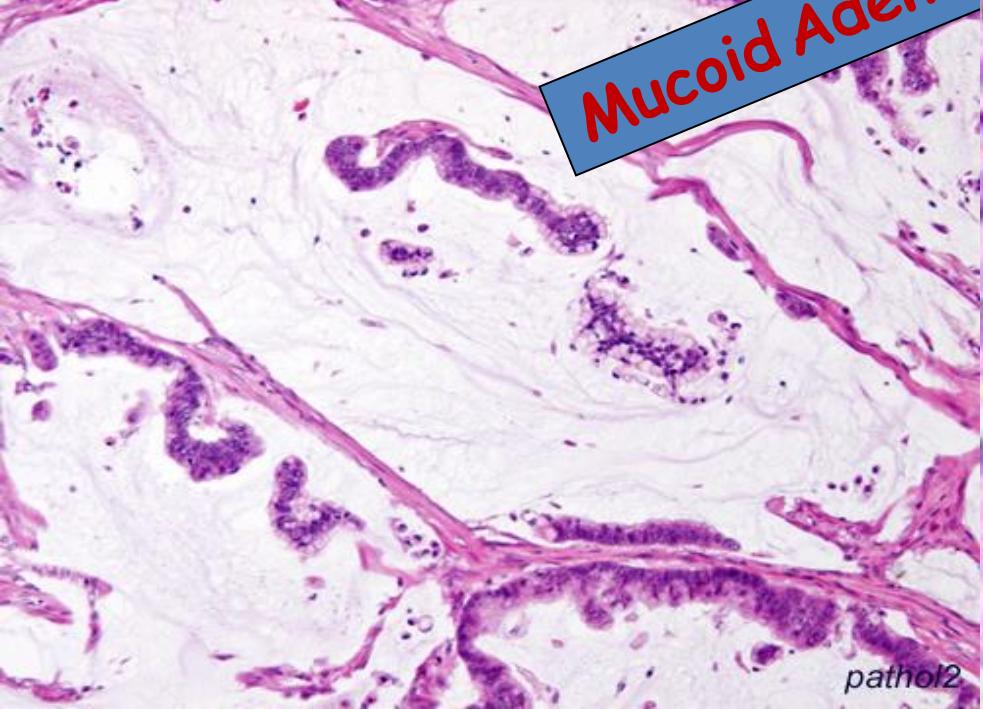
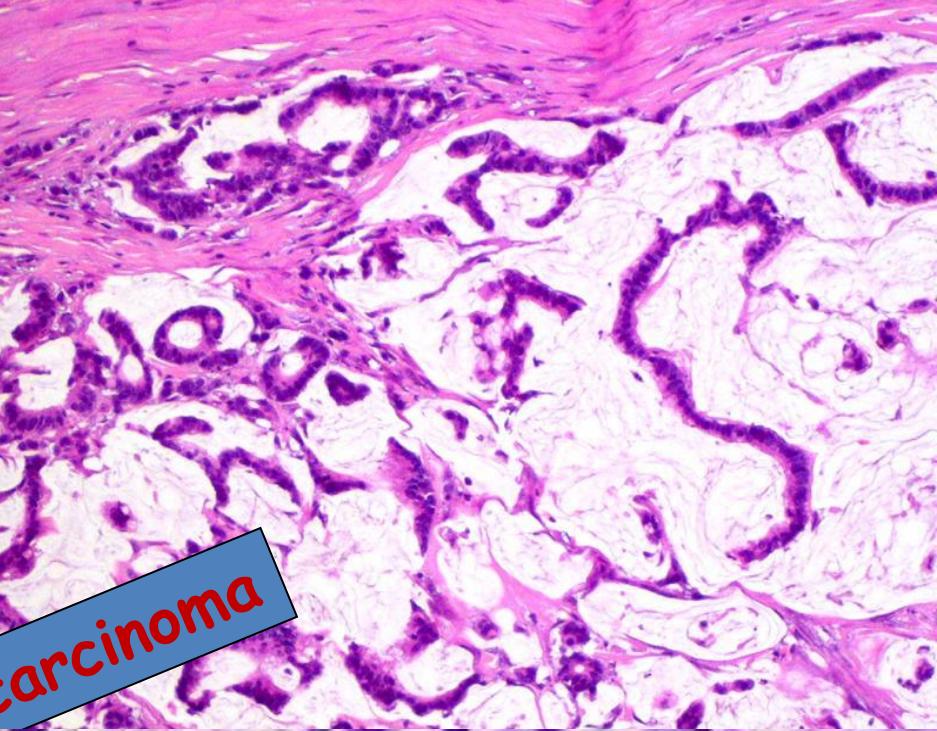
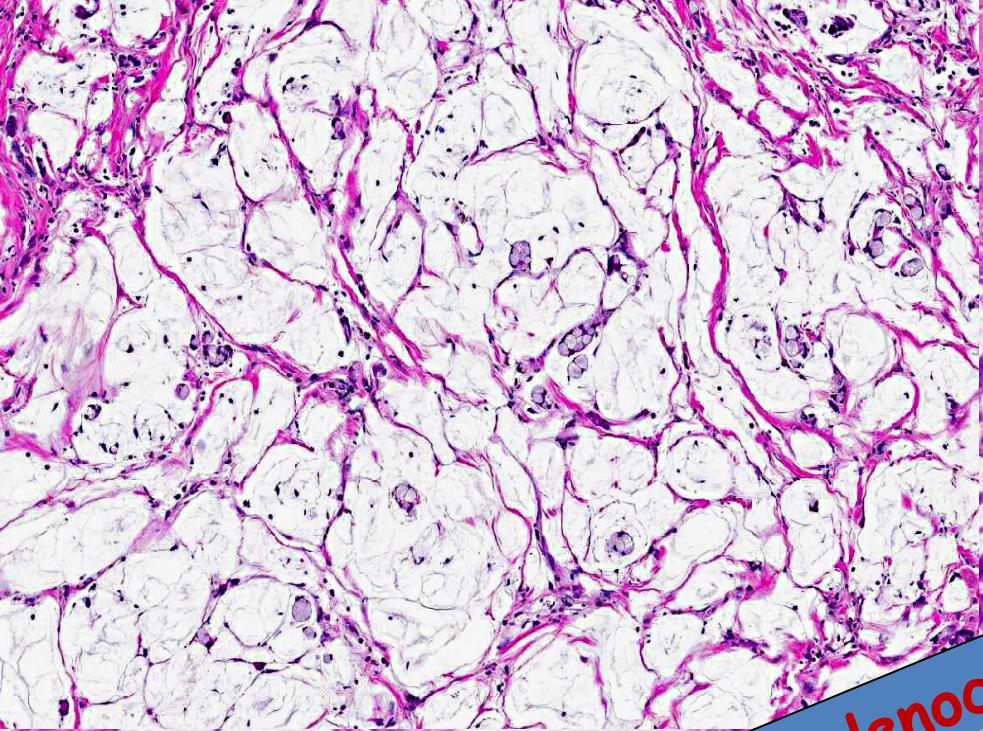
# 1-Deposition of Mucin

## A) Epithelial (mucoid):

- E.g: Neoplastic cells: Mucin secreting tumors that occur in many organs e.g. ovary, colon, and stomach.

## B) Connective tissue (myxomatous):

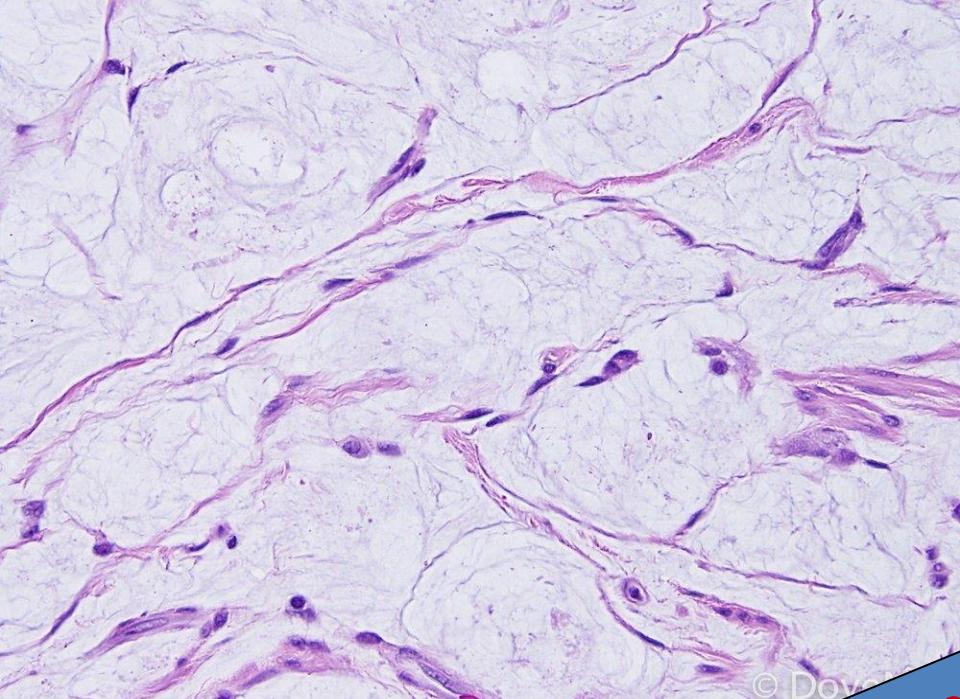
- E.g: Myxoma



Mucoid Adenocarcinoma

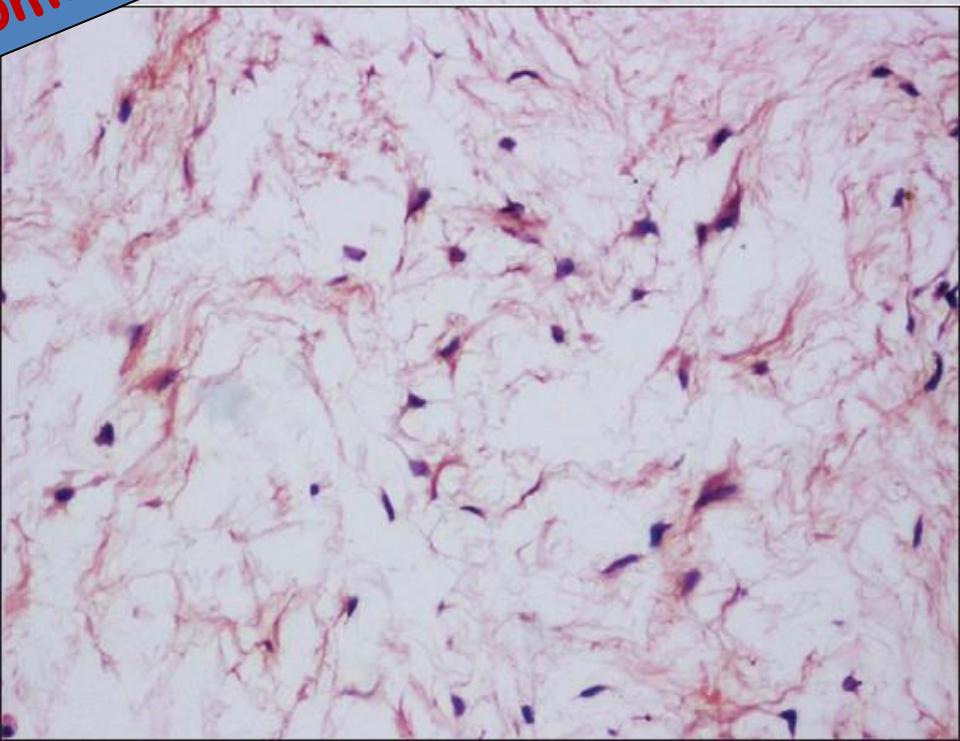
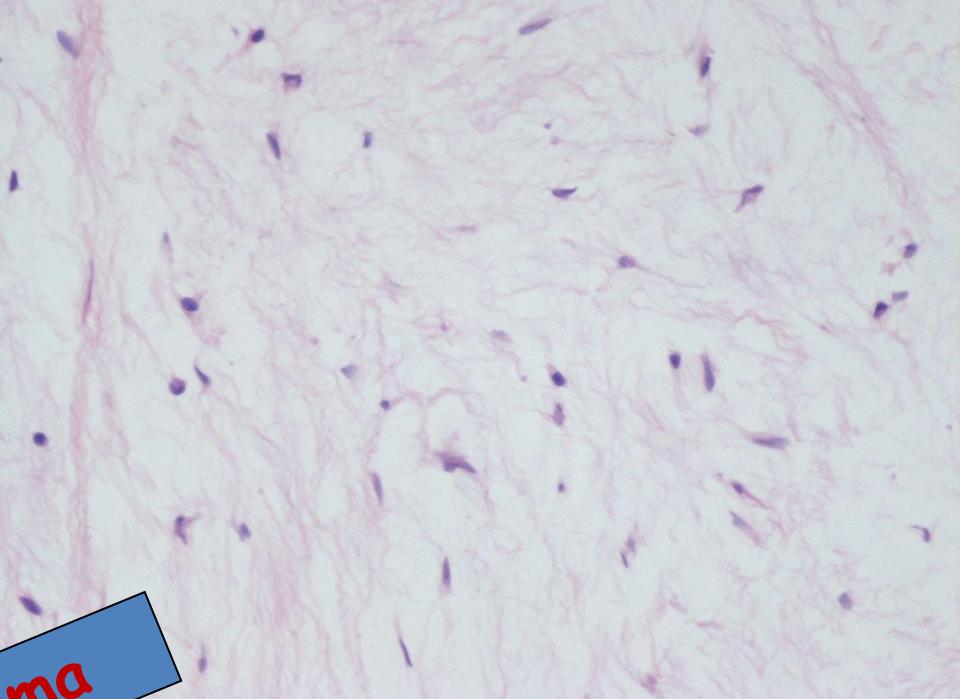
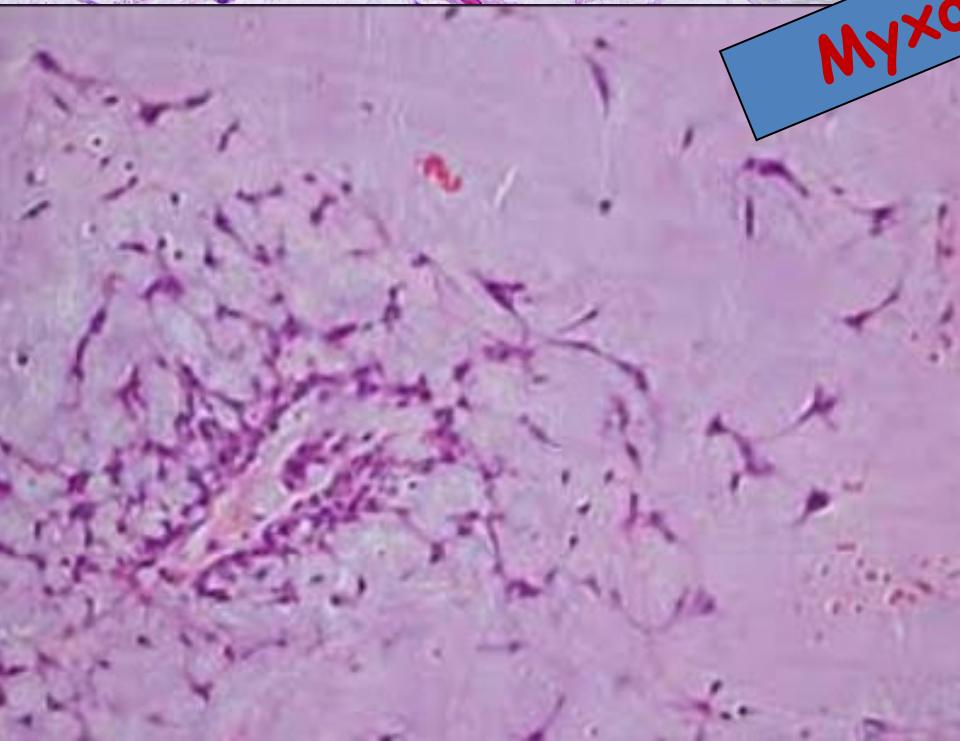
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## 2- Hyalinosis (Hyaline degeneration)

**Def:** Deposition of glassy, refractile homogenous structureless transparent material that stains red with eosin either inside cells or in connective tissue material.

**Pathogenesis:** Physico-chemical alteration of local cellular and extracellular protein with unclear mechanism.

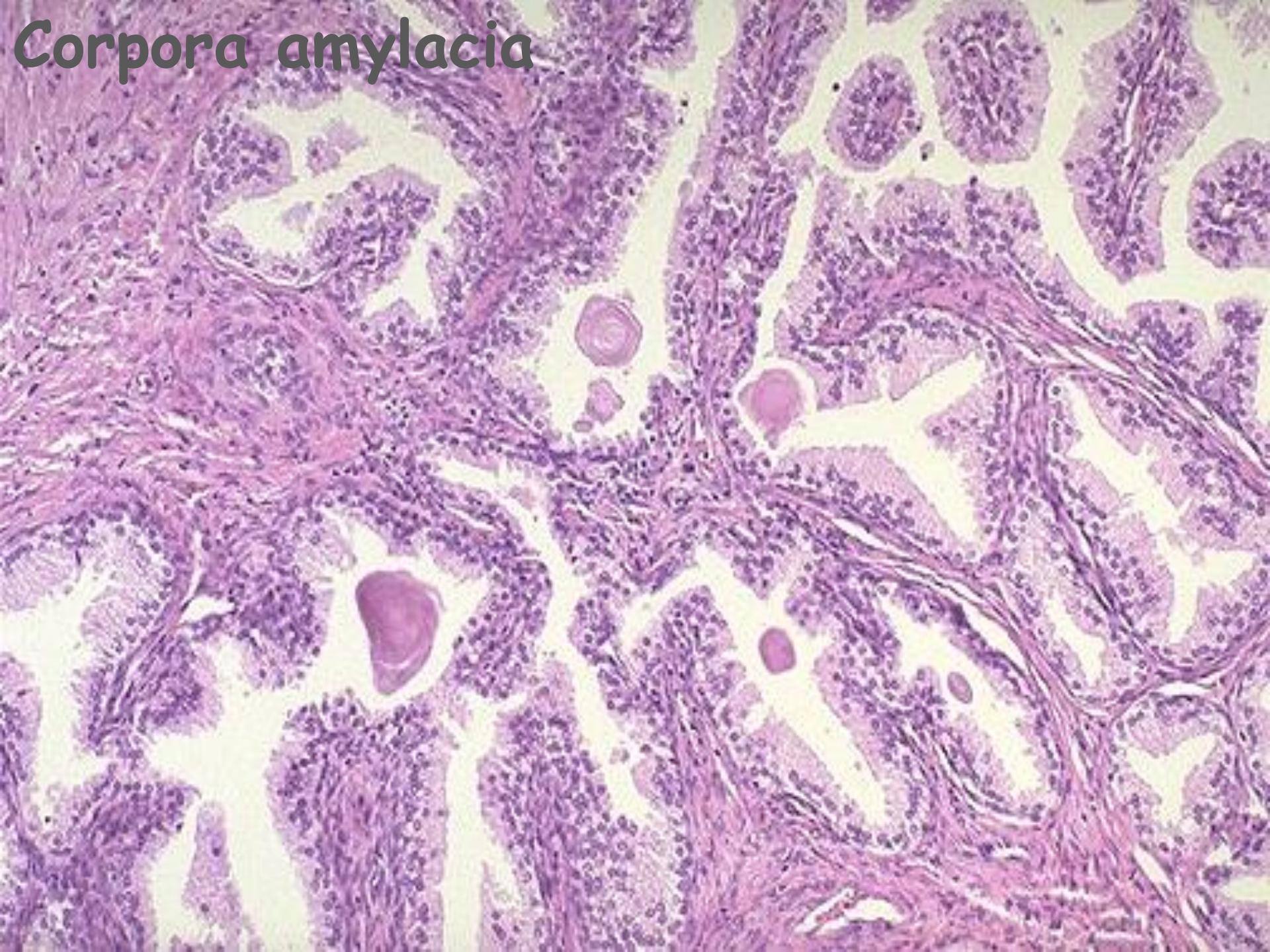
**Types:**

- I) Intracellular
- II) Extracellular

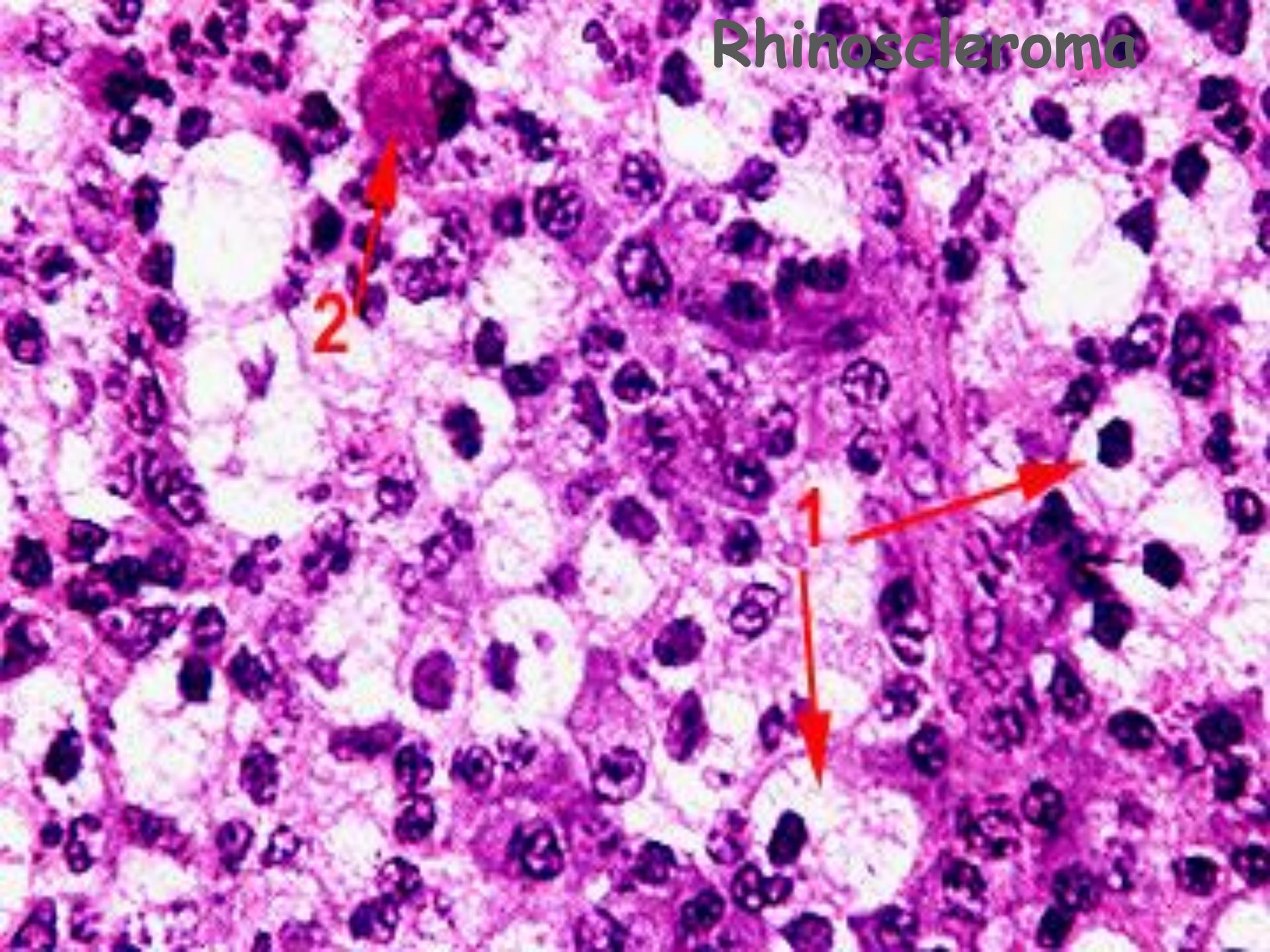
## Examples:

- 1- Corpora amylacia.
- 2- Russel bodies of plasma cells in Rhinoscleroma.
- 3-Mallory bodies in alcoholic hepatitis.

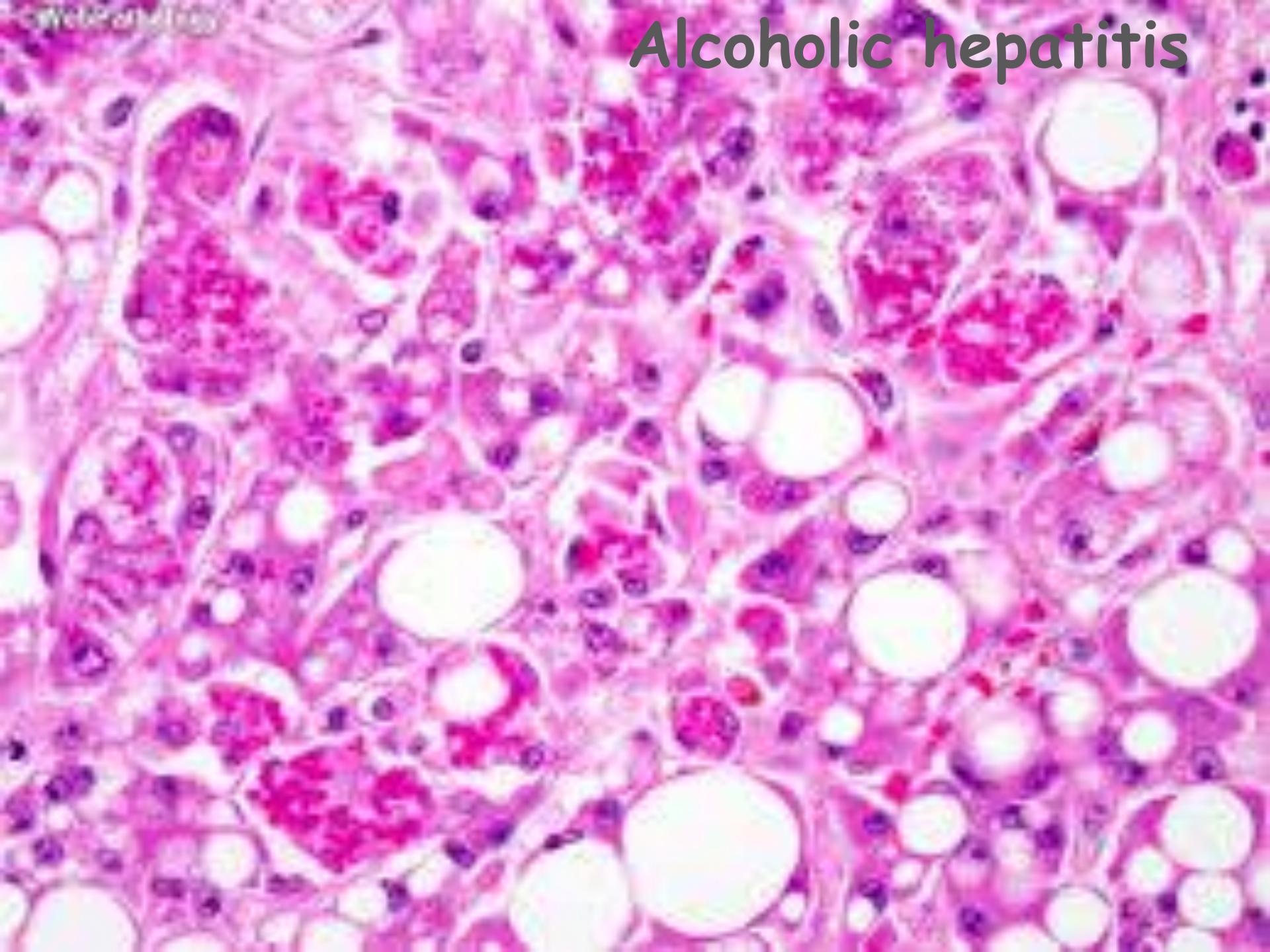
*Corpora amylacia*



# Rhinoscleroma



Alcoholic hepatitis



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## 3-Gout (hyperuricaemia)

**Def:** Disturbance in purine metabolism with deposition of sodium urate in the tissue.

**Causes:**

a) Primary:

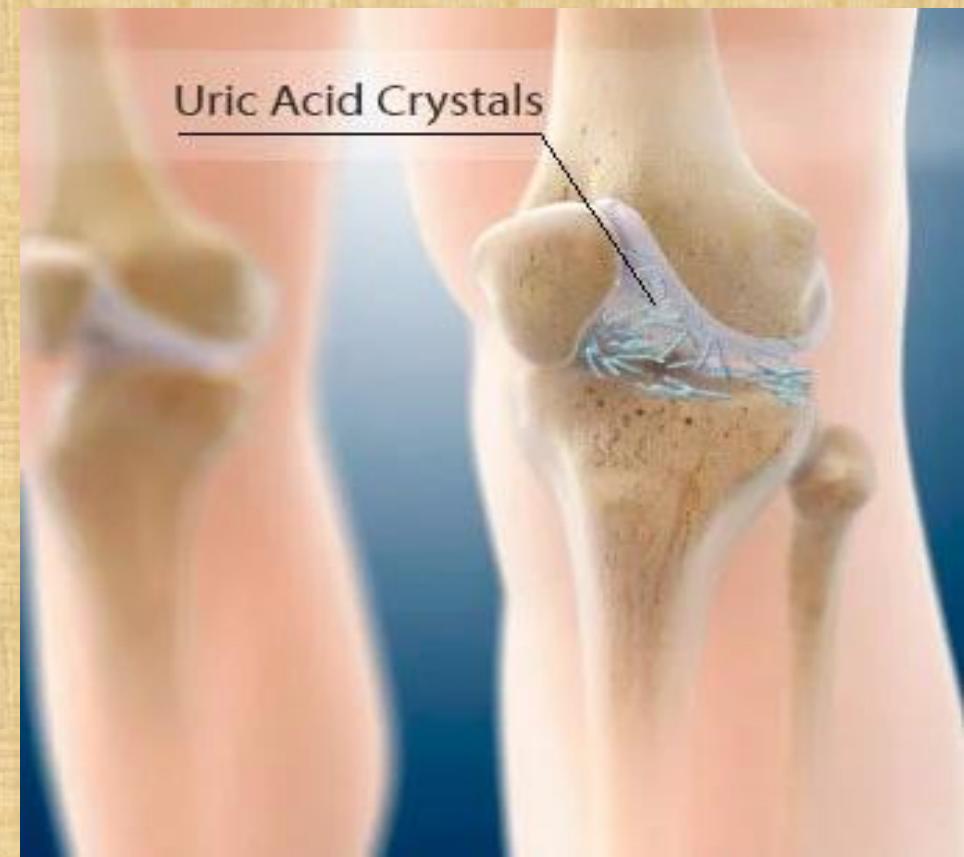
familial, ♂ > ♀ at 40 years due to increased purine breakdown or decreased clearance .

b) Secondary:

increased cellular destruction as in Polycythaemia rubra vera, leukaemia ... etc.

## Ex: Joint:

- Recurrent acute attacks of arthritis: It affects metatarsophalyngeal joint of big toe which become red, hot & swollen.



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# AMYLOIDOSIS (AMYLOID DEGENERATION)

**\*Def.** Extra cellular deposition of abnormal proteinaceous substance (amyloid protein) in many organs and tissues.

- **Morphological features:**

**\* Grossly:** pale grayish brown, waxy and translucent material.

**\* N/E:** (solid organs) as in liver, kidney & spleen show;

- Shape → preserved
- Surface → smooth
- Size → enlarged
- Consistency → firm & elastic
- Color → pale grayish brown & waxy.
- C / S → sharp edges, pale grayish brown & waxy.

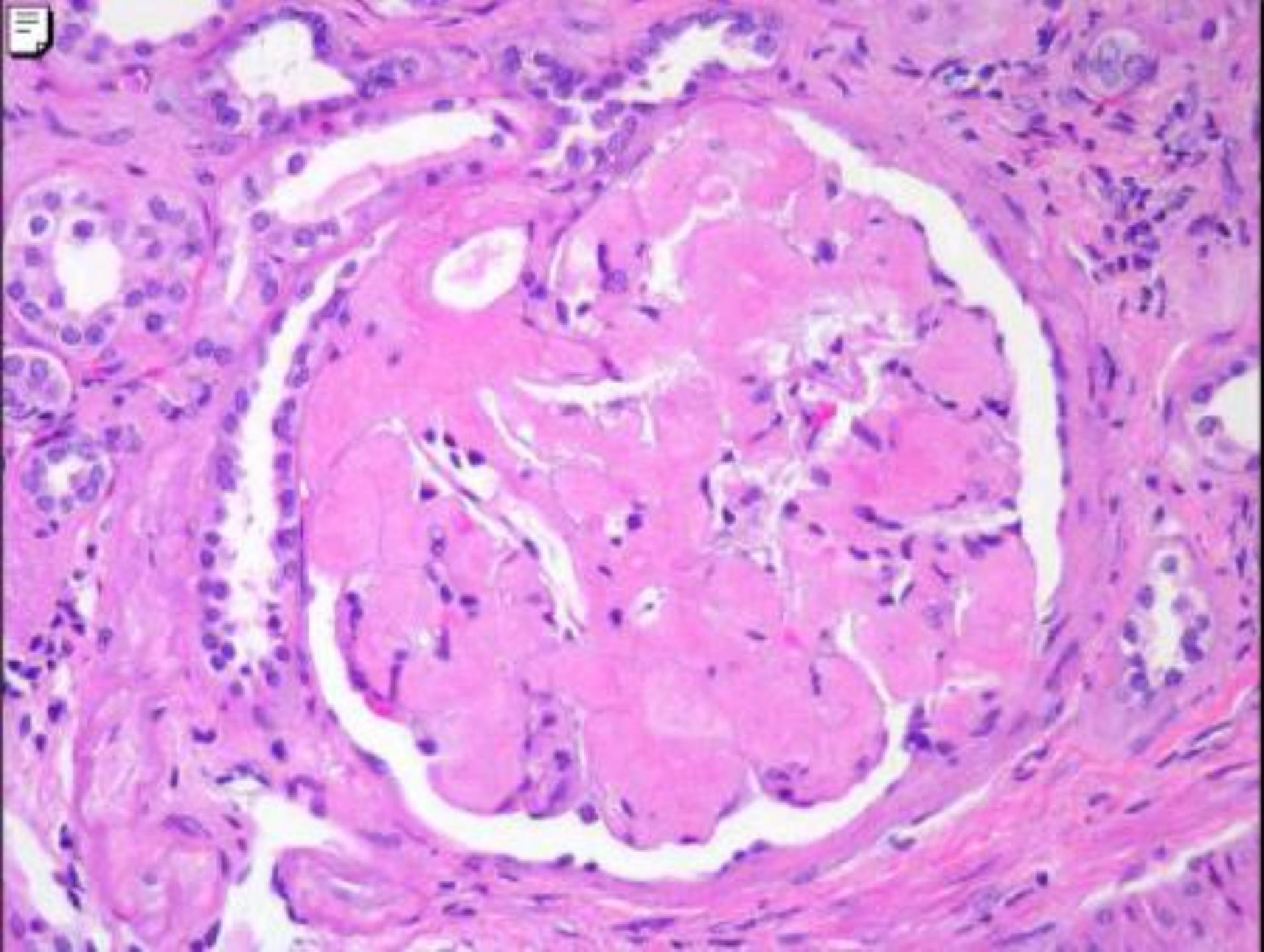
**\* M/E:**

- Hx&E-stained sections appears as homogenous Structure less pale red material (like fibrinoid necrosis).

**Thickened cortex with  
waxy brown colour**



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# **\*Staining of amyloid material:**

## **I. Gross staining:** staining of fresh slices of tissue.

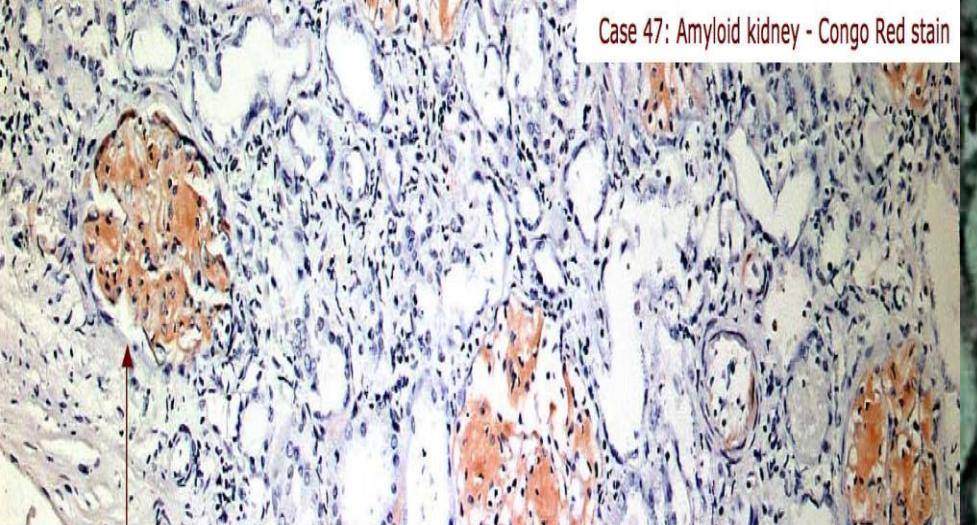
- Lugol's iodine: → dark brown.
- Iodine + 1% sulphuric acid: → blue.

## **II. Microscopic staining:** staining done on paraffin sections and frozen sections.

- Congo red stain: → orange red and apple green birefringence by polarized light.
- Metachromatic stains: methyl violet, gentian violet and crystal violet → rose red.



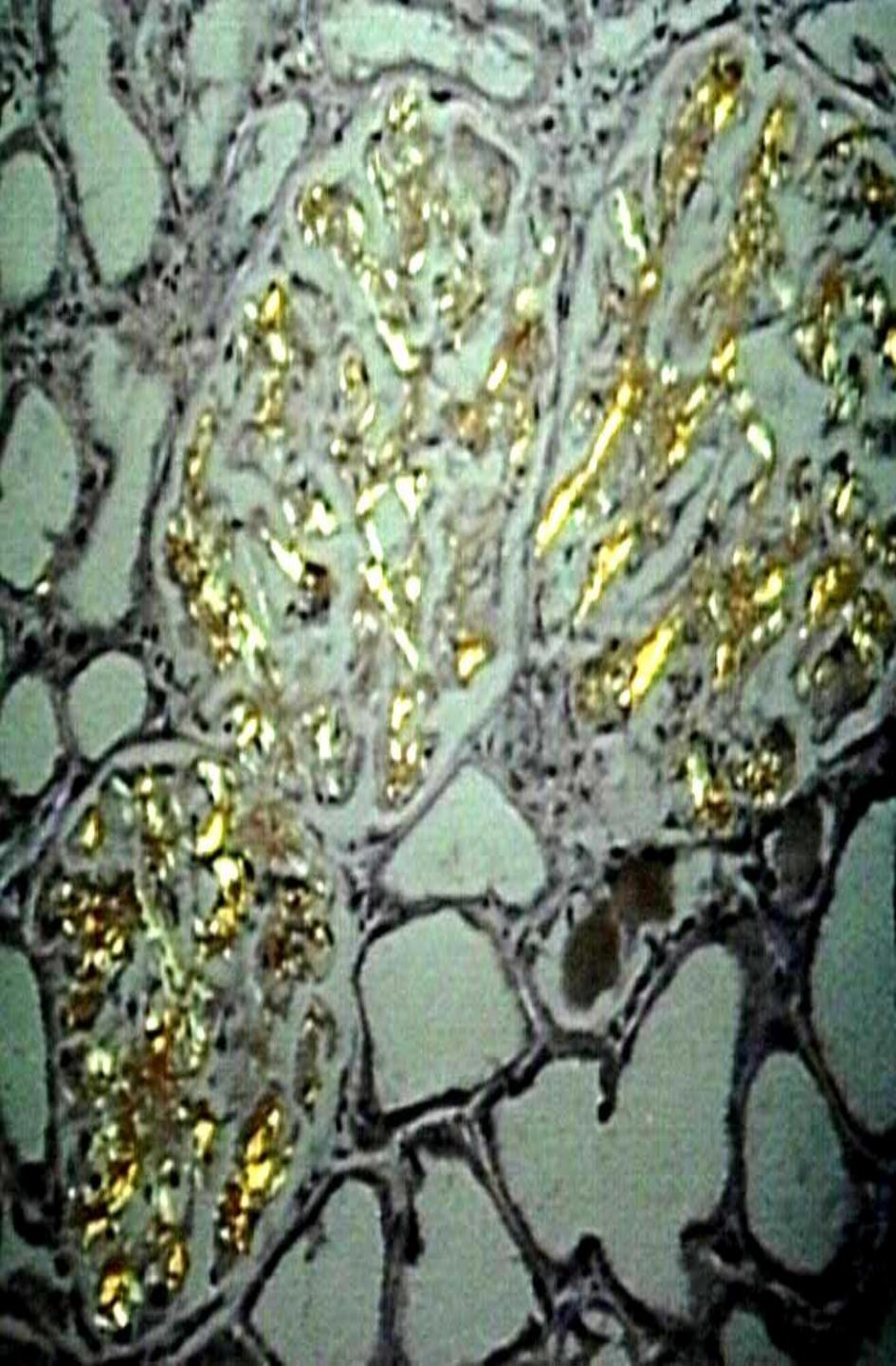
Case 47: Amyloid kidney - Congo Red stain

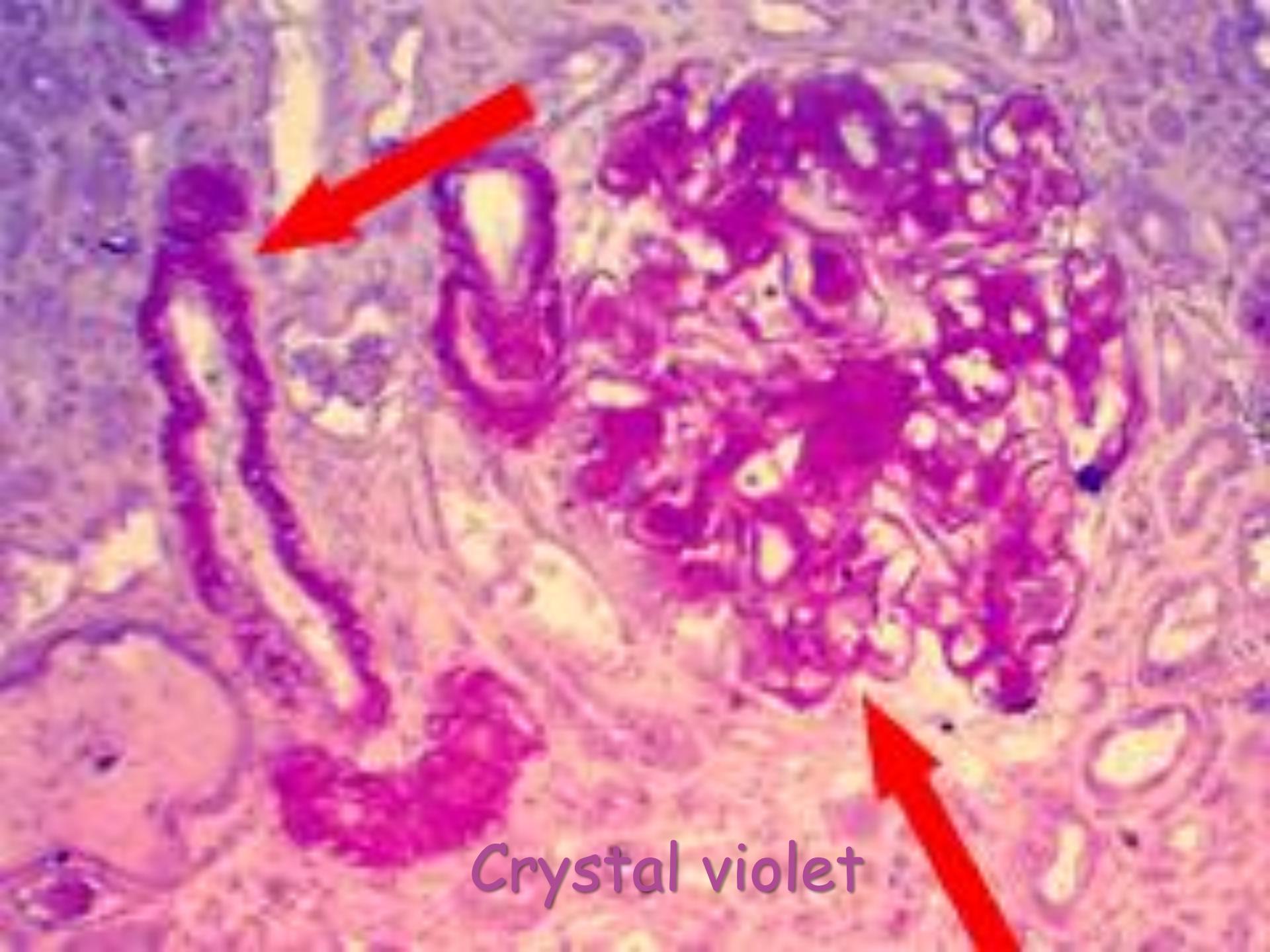


bright orange colouration of the cortical glomeruli



tubular basement membranes in the medulla





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# **PATHOLOGICAL CALCIFICATION**

**\*Def.** Pathological deposition of calcium salts (phosphate & carbonate) in the tissues (other than bone & teeth).

## **Types:**

- 1. Dystrophic calcification**

-Occurs in nonviable tissue with normal blood calcium level

- 2. Metastatic calcification**

-Occurs in viable tissue with hypercalcemia

- 3. Stone formation**

## **\*Types:**

### **I. Dystrophic calcification**

**\*Def:** pathological deposition of Ca salts in degenerated or necrotic tissue with normal blood Ca level.

#### **\* Sites:**

- Atheroma
- fibrosed valve
- old scar
- old thrombi,
- old infarct
- fat necrosis
- caseating T.B lesion
- pus of chronic abscess
- dead B ova or worm.



## II. Metastatic calcification

**\*Def:** pathological deposition of Ca salts in living tissues due to hypercalcaemia.

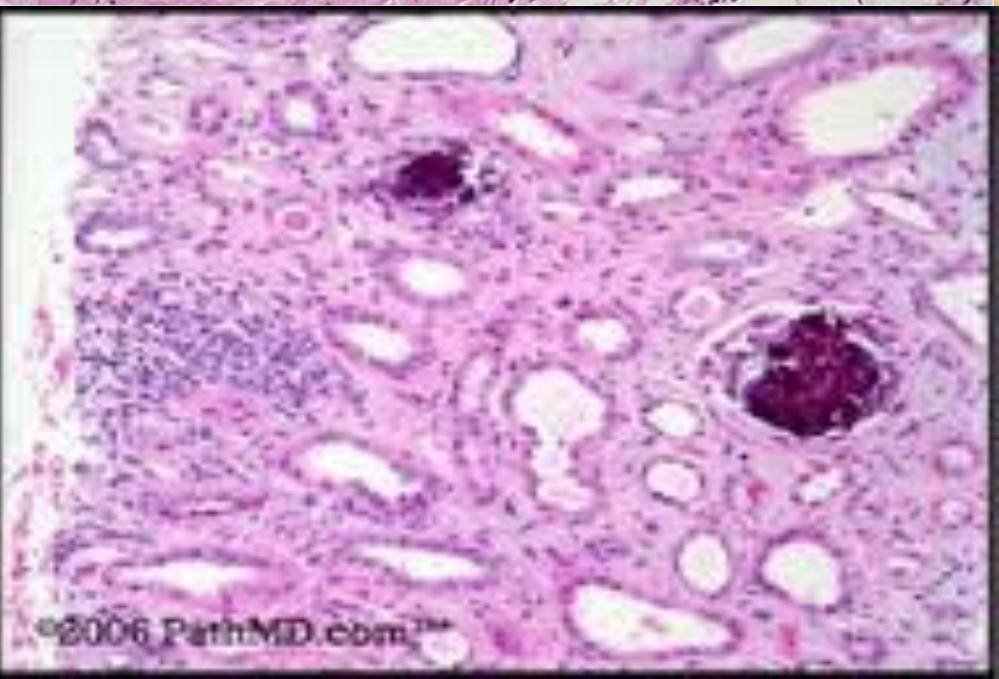
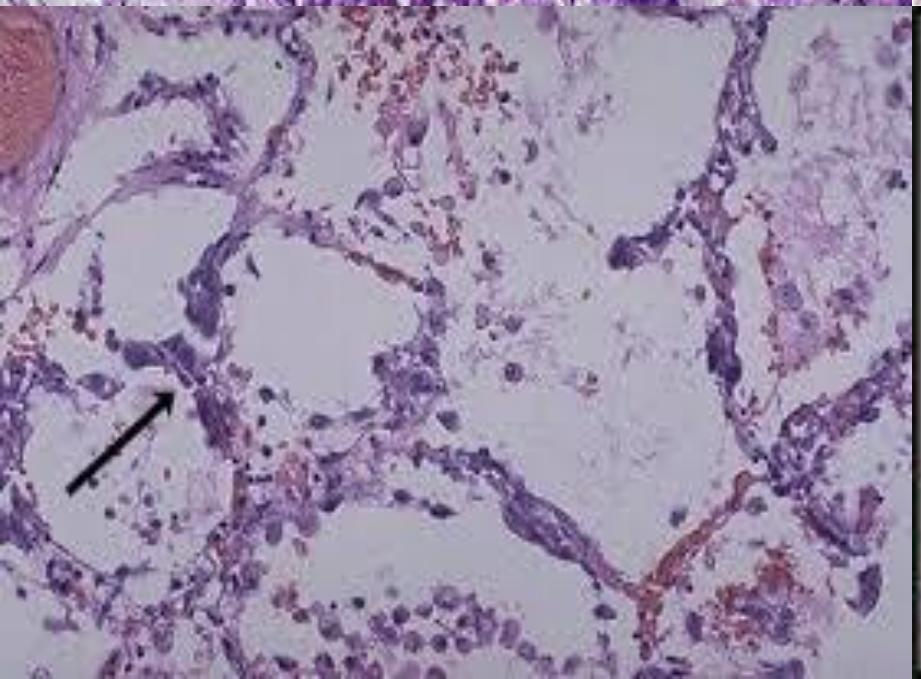
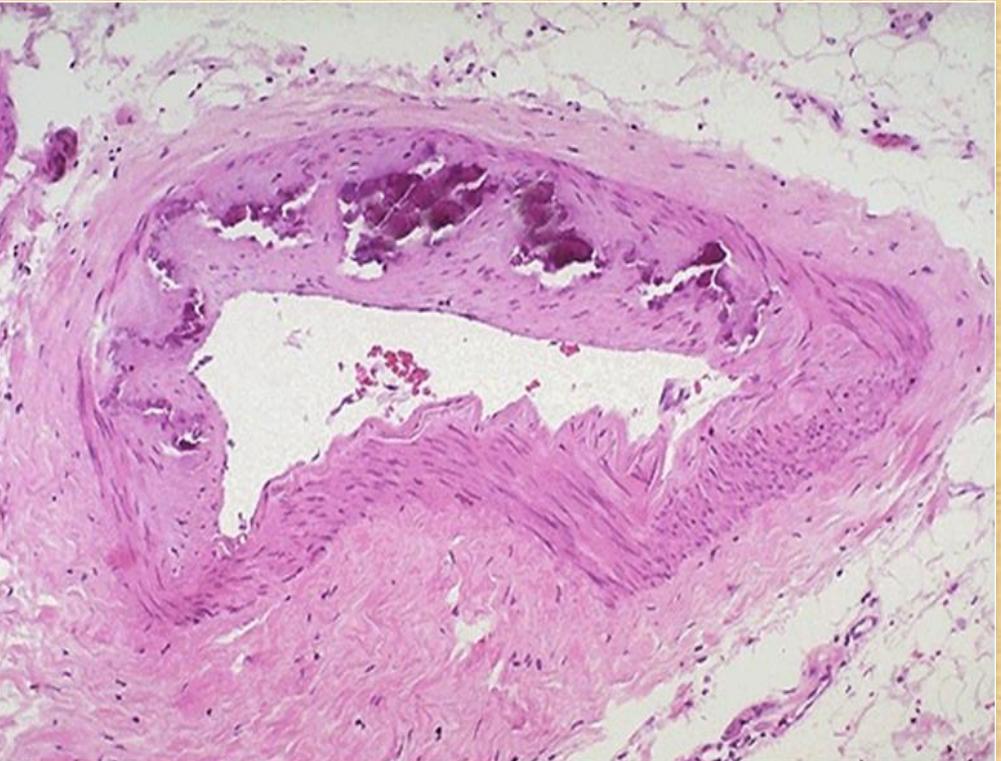
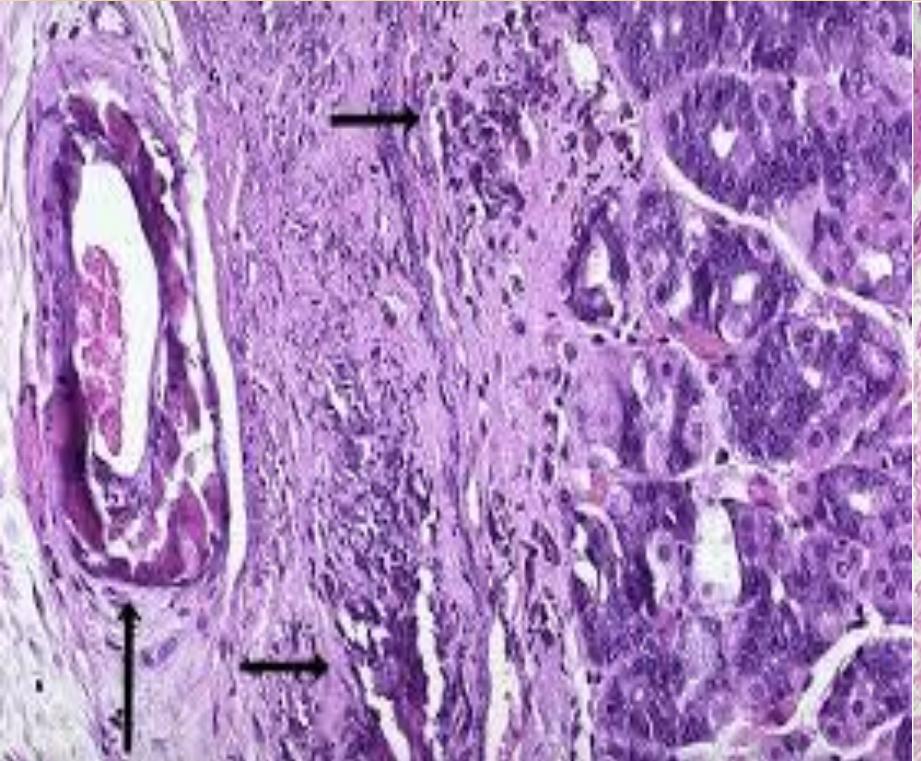
**\*Etiology:** hypercalcaemia.

### **Causes:**

- a) Excess absorption of calcium from the intestine as in:
  - Hypervitaminosis D (vitamin D intoxication)
  - Excess vitamin D and calcium in food of infants
- b) Excess mobilization of calcium from bone as:
  - Hyperparathyroidism & thyrotoxicosis
  - Prolonged immobilization in bed
  - Bone destruction by malignant tumors

### **\*Sites:**

- Walls of the lung alveoli.
- Mucosa of the stomach.
- Renal tubules.
- Arteries.



### **III. Stone formation.**

- Ca salts deposition in the cavities of hollow organs  
as - gall bladder  
- urinary tracts

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# Pathological pigmentation

Pigments are colored substances that stain the tissue. These could accumulate intracellularly.

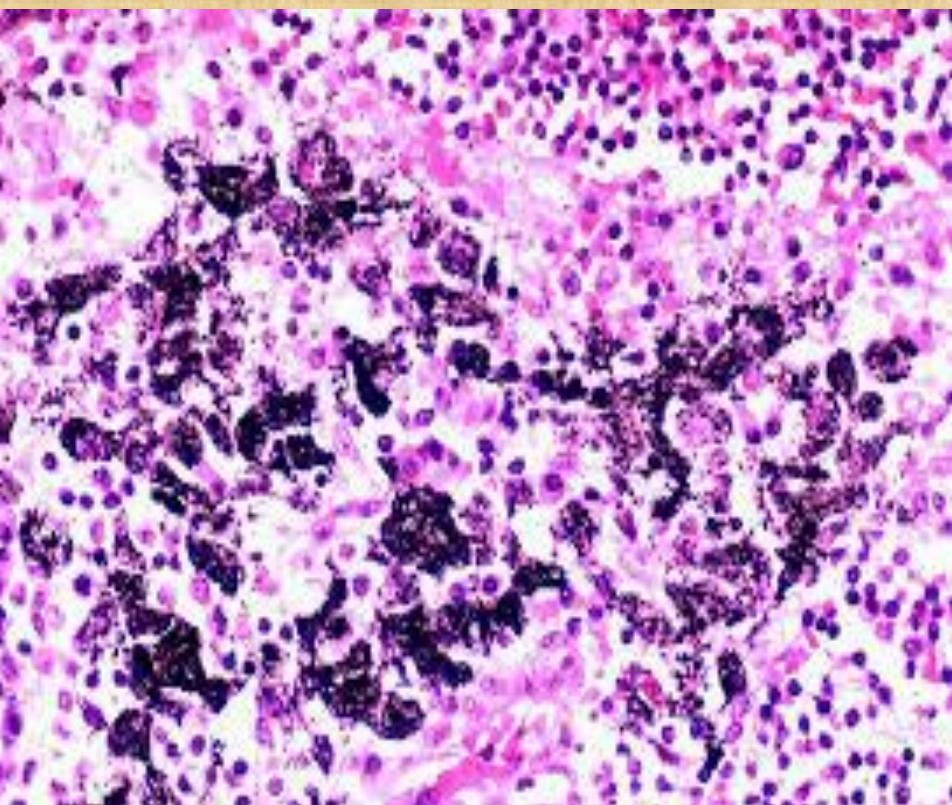
Types: may be exogenous or endogenous.

**1- Exogenous** Routes of entry:

- **Inhalation** as in pneumoconiosis due to silicosis & anthracosis.
- **Ingestion** as in chronic lead poisoning(plumbism).
- **Inoculation** as in tattooing

**2- Endogenous**

- Melanin
- Lipofuscin (lipochrome)
- Hemosidrin



# Pathological pigmentation

## 2- Endogenous: Melanin

### *Melanin hyperpigmentation:*

- 1- Exposure to sun: There is stimulation of MSH (melanocyte stimulating hormone).
- 2- Chronic irritation
- 3- Chloasma of pregnancy: Pigmentation of the face, nipple, and genitalia caused by ACTH, MSH and excess estrogen.
- 4- Addison's disease (chronic adrenal insufficiency) due to increase level of ACTH which has melanocytes stimulating effect.
- 5- Tumors:
  - Tumours of melanocytic origin;
    - a- Pigmented nevus. b- Malignant melanoma. .

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## 2- Endogenous: Melanin

### *Melanin hypopigmentation:*

- 1- Albinism: generalized hypopigmentation due to tyrosinase deficiency. Melanin pigment is absent from skin, hair and eyes.
- 2- Leukoderma: congenital absence of melanocytes
- 3- Vitiligo (acquired absence of melanocytes): either primary or secondary to skin lesions as: Scar, syphilis, and leprosy. Both leucoderma and vitiligo are patchy.



# Albinism



**Vitiligo**

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## 2- Endogenous: Lipochrome (Lipofuscin)

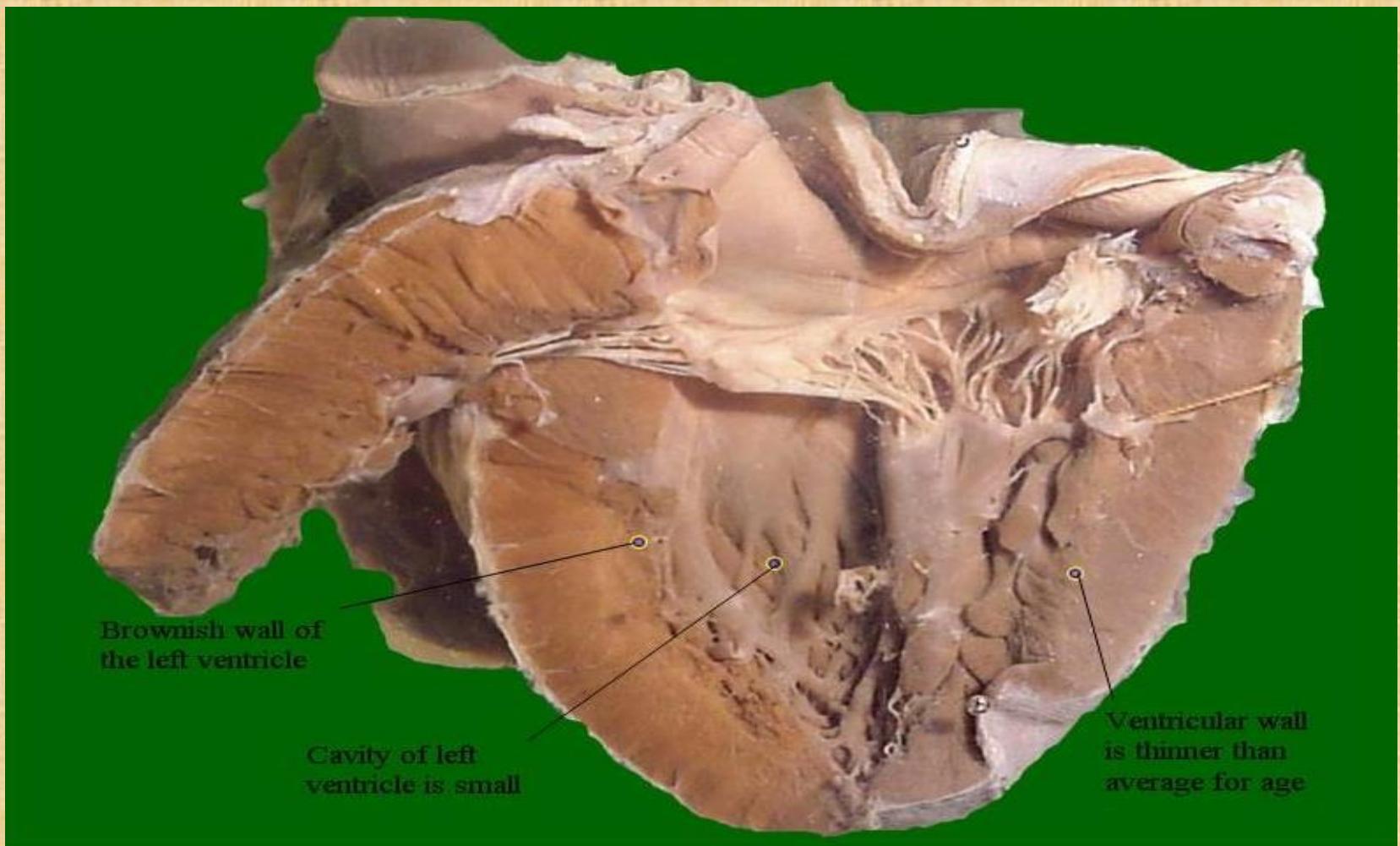
It is a yellowish brown fat soluble pigment. normally in the heart, testis, seminal vesicles, corpus luteum and adrenal cortex.

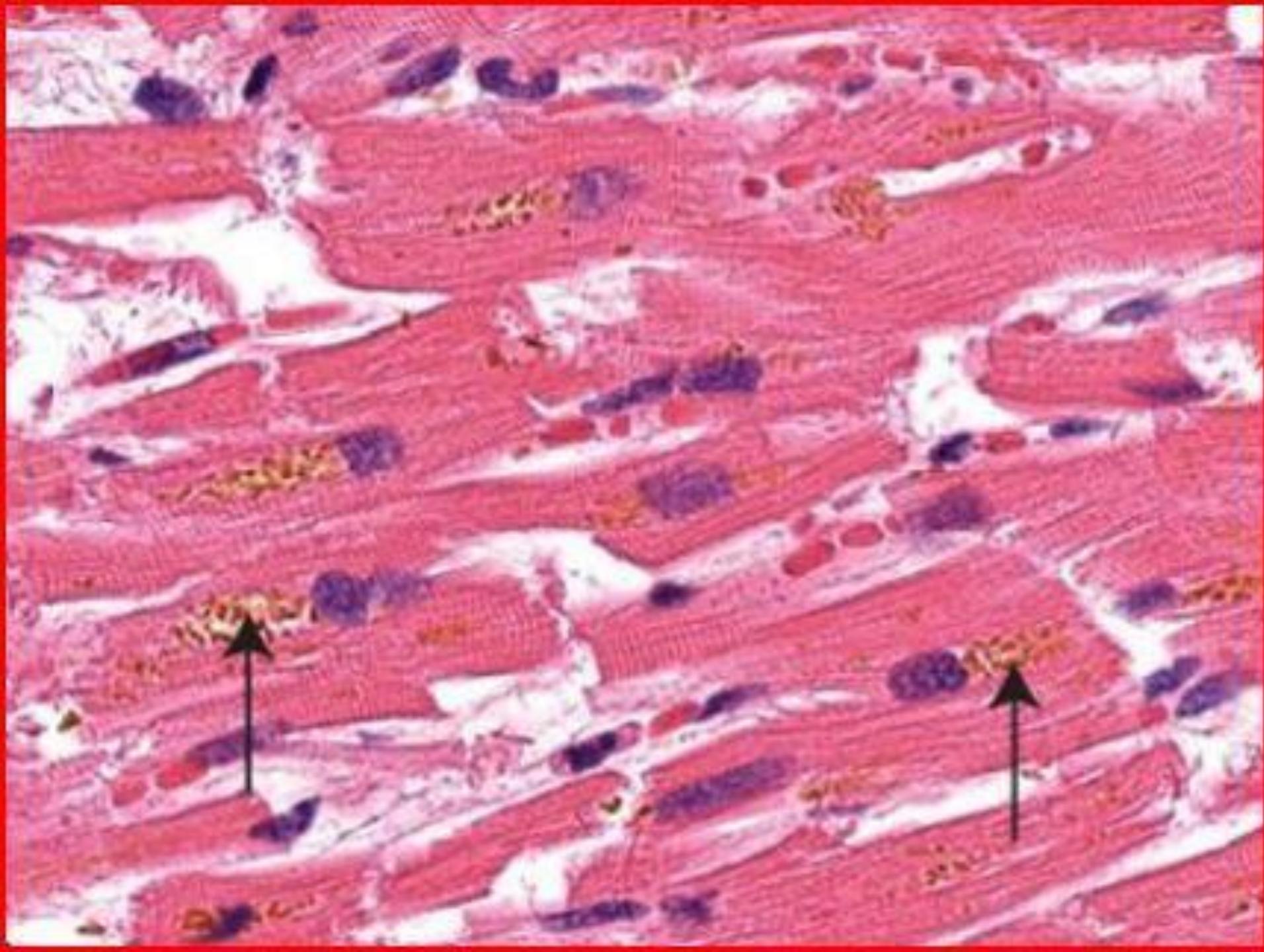
### Causes:

1. Old age.
2. Atherosclerosis.
3. Wasting diseases.
4. Vitamin deficiency and severe malnutrition.
5. Cancer cachexia
6. Endocrinal disturbances

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2- Endogenous: Lipochrome (Lipofuscin)  
Brown atrophy of the heart





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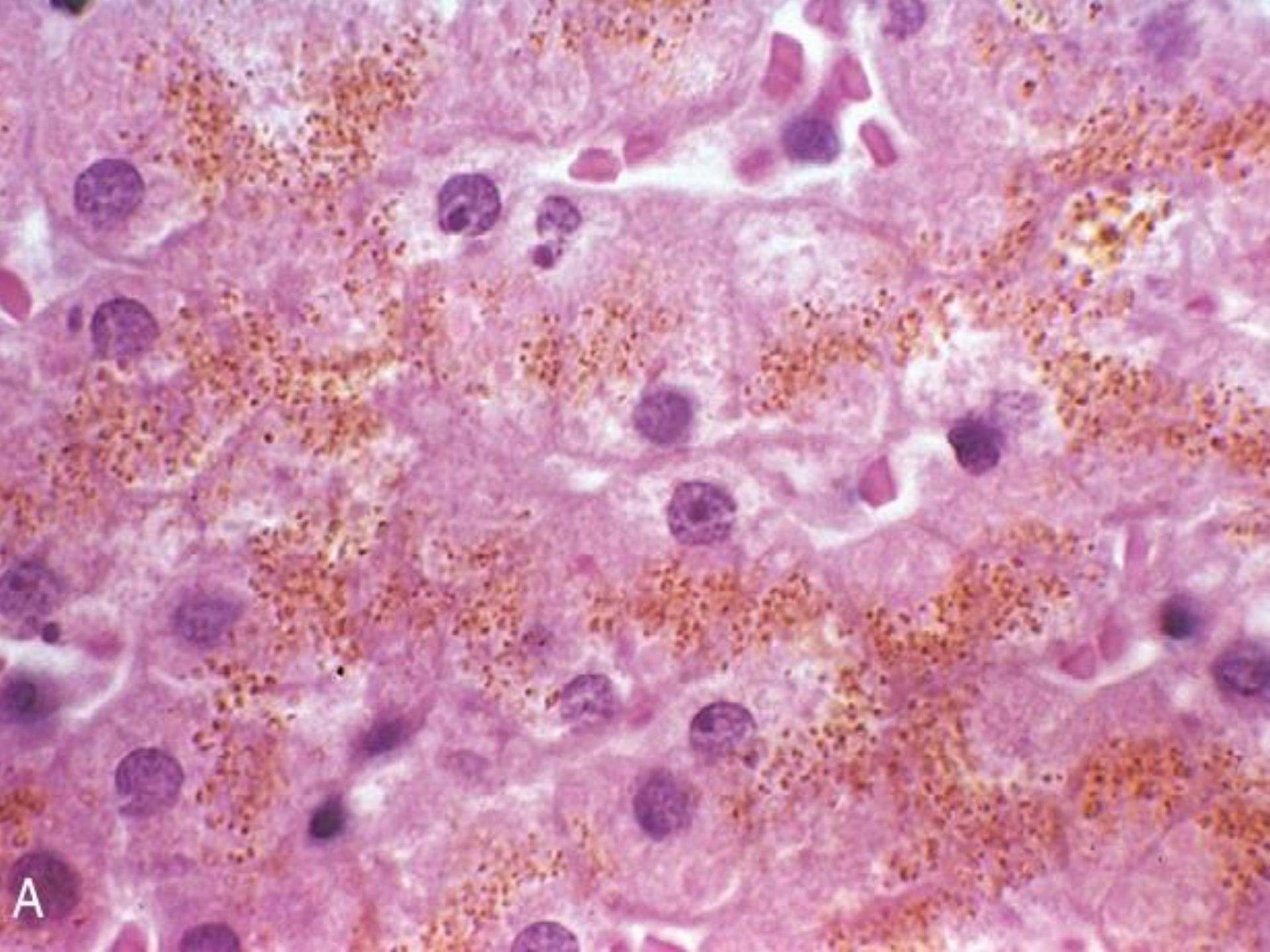
## 2- Endogenous: Haemosiderosis

Hemosidrin is an iron containing pigment consisting of aggregates of ferritin

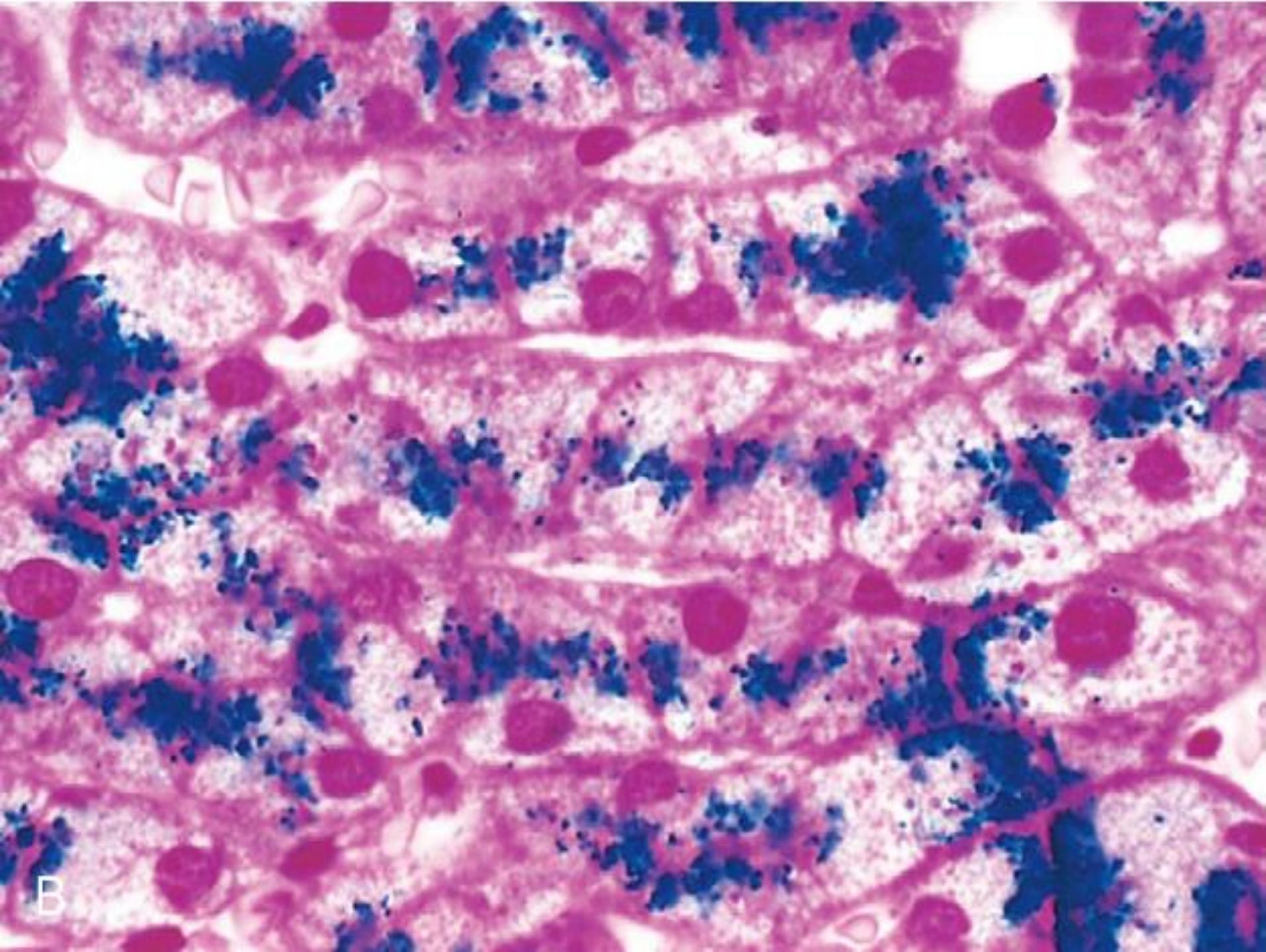
RBCs at the end of life span releases its HB content which is then metabolized into :

- 1- Globulin (that is reused).
- 2- Haem which consists of:
  - Fe (that is reused)
  - Biliverdin → bile.
- Fe is absorbed from duodenum & carried in plasma transferrin to be stored as Fe or apoferritin in macrophages in liver , spleen & BM.





A



B

